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County Clerk/Registrar of Voters (CC/ROV) Memorandum #23029

TO: All County Clerks/Registrars of Voters

FROM: /s/ Christi van Eyken

Elections Analyst

RE: Voter Education and Outreach: High School Voter Education Weeks

April 17-28, 2023

The California Education Code designates the last two weeks in April and September as High School Voter Education Weeks. This provides an opportunity for high schools and their students to partner with county elections officials to promote civic education and participation. As elections officials prepare for local elections and the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election, now is a great time to encourage students to pre-register to vote and become engaged and active in their communities.

California Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D., in partnership with California Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond, issued a Letter encouraging schools to invite students to participate in our democracy. You can also view the Secretary of State's resolution online, encouraging all California high schools to participate in High School Voter Education Weeks, April 17-28, 2023. Please feel free to use this resolution as a tool to gain support and recognition from your Board of Supervisors or County Board of Education.

Additionally, we encourage you to use the online resources available on our website. These can be found on our High School and Youth Initiatives webpage, which includes information on how to pre-register 16- and 17-year-olds at https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/high-school-programs/.

If you have questions about this or any other outreach related matter, please contact Jannell Jackson at SosOutreach@sos.ca.gov or (916) 584-3538. Thank you.